



**Nigel Rothband**

## A bit about me

I join Leading Edge after more than 30 years' experience in the retail industry and latterly the charity sector. After a firm grounding with BHS I moved to Arcadia Group, where I spent 14 years in various senior positions including Retail Director. I then moved to The Body

Shop where I spent three years as Retail Managing Director working directly with the late great Dame Anita Roddick. More recently I spent over 9 years as CEO of Retail Trust and then CEO of BEN the automotive industry charity. In addition, I am Chairman of the ELLA Foundation, set up to coach, mentor and support charity chief executives.

Many years ago I set up NigelSpeaks and as a result I am an experienced speaker at events of all sizes.

As part of the Leading Edge team and a champion of people engagement, I am passionate about strategy execution, business performance, change programmes and team facilitation.

Having been born and raised on Manchester, I now live in north west London with my wife Nicole and our two sons Jack and Harry. In the summer I open the batting for my local cricket team and in the winter I referee football.

## Motto

Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass, it's about learning to dance in the rain.

## Client Views

Thank you for all you have done and for taking us forward on our strategic journey.  
Caroline Diehl MBE, Founder and Chief Executive, Media Trust

It was a pleasure working with Nigel he was inspirational and motivational. It is not easy to work with a mixed group of people across Europe, not only due to the language barrier, but also because of the cultural differences between each Country. Nigel managed to bridge the gap and found common ground. I would be delighted to work with him in the future.  
Ifrat Katz-Blitental, Field Marketing Manager, Nice



As a passionate Manchester City supporter, I was offered my dream job three seasons ago and host the weekly Manchester City podcast 'The Man City Show' and regularly comment in the media about all things Manchester City.